

## ABSTRACT

### IN OVO PROTECTION AGAINST INFECTIOUS BRONCHITIS

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The present invention is directed to processes and compositions for protecting host animals (e.g., chickens) from exposure to virulent infectious bronchitis virus. *In ovo* administration of live, avirulent strains of IB at appropriate dosage levels on a per egg basis provides an effective and efficient vaccination having acceptable safety and efficacy features.

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